

HOUSE BILL 942
By Sargent

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 9;
Title 33; Title 56; Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71,
relative to appropriation legislation for health care
funding.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 9-4-5106(a)(4), is amended by deleting the subdivision and by substituting instead the following:

(4) Part 4 shall embrace complete drafts of the budget bills, that is, the legislative measures required to give legal sanction to the financial plan when adopted by the general assembly. These bills shall include an appropriation bill, authorizing, by spending agencies and by funds, all expenditures of the state government, except for health care funding, for the next fiscal year, a health care funding appropriations bill and such other bills as may be required to provide the revenues necessary to finance the budget. The governor shall submit these bills for introduction in both houses of the general assembly at the time the budget is submitted.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 9-4-5106, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(c) The health care funding appropriations bill shall authorize, by spending agencies and by funds, all expenditures of the state government for health care funding. This bill shall appropriate funds for medical assistance, the department of mental health, and the department of health.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 9-4-5108(a)(1), is amended by inserting the language "except for health care funding as provided by Section 9-4-5106," between the language "state government" and "for the next".

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon July 1, 2005 and shall apply to the budget for 2006-2007 fiscal year, the public welfare requiring it.